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Responding to global threats and challenges

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 55/162 of 14 December 2000, 56/95 of 14 December 2001 and 57/144 of 16 December 2002 on the follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit and resolution 57/145 of 16 December 2002 on responding to global threats and challenges,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming the coordinating and leading role of the United Nations in establishing a cohesive and effective system for responding to global threats and challenges, and welcoming the ongoing efforts of Member States and the Secretary-General to this end,

Recognizing the importance, in the context of implementing the United Nations Millennium Declaration,[1] of a comprehensive approach aimed at addressing global threats and challenges in accordance with the Charter, international law and relevant international instruments,

Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations Millennium Declaration[2] and the observations contained therein on ways and means to promote further, with the United Nations lead, a more comprehensive and coherent response to the global threats and challenges of the twenty-first century,

1. *Commends* the increased interaction of Member States, the agencies and organizations of the United Nations system and the international and regional organizations cooperating with the United Nations, aimed at countering various global threats and challenges, in particular those posed by international terrorism in

[1] See resolution 55/2.
[2] A/58/323.

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all its forms and manifestations, transnational organized crime, regional conflicts, poverty, unsustainable development, illicit drug trafficking, money-laundering, infectious diseases, environmental degradation, natural disasters, complex emergency situations and others;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to Member States and relevant regional and other organizations for submitting to the Secretary-General their contributions on the issues referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of resolution 57/145;

3. *Encourages* Member States, the agencies and organizations of the United Nations system and the international and regional organizations cooperating with the United Nations to continue their efforts towards establishing a comprehensive and effective strategy for responding to global threats and challenges;

4. *Welcomes* in this context the intention of the Secretary-General to establish a high-level panel of eminent personalities to consider the contribution that collective action, with the United Nations lead, can make in addressing challenges to peace and security and to recommend ways of strengthening the United Nations, and expresses its readiness to consider as a matter of priority at its fifty-ninth session the recommendations of the Secretary-General based on the findings of the panel.